ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a process for purifying 2-chloro-5-chloromethyl-1,3-thiazole represented by the formula (I):

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by distillation of a crude product thereof, comprising treating

the crude product with a lower alcohol before the distillation.

The present purification process is a new one for purifying

2-chloro-5-chloromethyl-1,3-thiazole, suitable for

industrial practice.